

# NEWS BRIEFS

## AFSA

An Air Force Sergeants Association meeting is at 11:30 a.m. today at the Cardinal Inn Dining Facility. Call Ext. 2025.

## Free showing

A free showing of “Scooby Doo” is at 5 p.m. Sunday at the theater. Call 434-6026.

## Change of command

Maj. David Briar relinquishes command of the 14th Security Forces Squadron to Maj. Leonard Grassley during a change-of-command ceremony at 9 a.m. Wednesday at the Wing Ceremonial Plaza.

## Commander’s call

The second quarter Wing Commander’s Call is at 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. June 21 at the theater.

## Submission deadlines

Submissions for the July 3 edition of the Silver Wings are due June 26. This includes articles and bargain line ads. Call Ext. 7069.

## Academy positions

The Department of Management at the United States Air Force Academy is looking for officers for instructor duty beginning in December 2002 and June 2003. The duty is a three-year controlled tour. Officers interested should:

- ❑ Have an undergraduate grade point average of 3.0 or better
- ❑ Have a graduate grade point average of 3.5 or better
- ❑ Have a Graduate Management Admissions Test score of 550 or better
- ❑ Have had at least two assignments
- ❑ Have releasability

For more information, e-mail Capt. John Martin at john.martin@usafa.af.mil or Capt. Brian Maue at brian.maue@usafa.af.mil.

### Mission Report

As of Wednesday

<b>T-37</b>	
Goal: 569	
Flown: 702	
<b>T-1A</b>	<b>T-38</b>
Goal: 403.1 hrs.	Goal: 267
Flown: 384.4 hrs.	Flown: 276



Tech. Sgt. Jim Moser

## Welcome back gate

Airman 1st Class Kristin Chapel, 48th Flying Training Squadron and security forces augmentee, checks the identification card of a person entering Columbus AFB through the South Gate Wednesday. The South Gate is open for two-way traffic from 6 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday to Friday. People entering the South Gate must have a military identification card and be driving a vehicle with a Department of Defense decal. The East Gate is now open for two-way traffic 24 hours every day.

# Engineering flight checks pulse of Columbus AFB environment

## Senior Airman Amanda Mills Public affairs

The 14th Civil Engineer Squadron Environmental Flight performs an internal assessment of the Environmental Compliance Assessment and Management Program Monday to June 14.

The Air Force designed ECAMP to ensure compliance with all applicable environmental standards.

Headquarters Air Education and Training Command conducts an external assessment at each command installation every two years while each base administers an internal assessment in the off years.

“We have to do an assessment every other year with AETC so that one is performed every year,” said Mike Smith, 14th Civil Engineer Squadron

Environmental Flight chief. “This ensures the base complies with federal, state, local and Air Force environmental regulations.”

During the 2001 assessment, AETC noted Columbus AFB as the best in the command and gave an excellent rating. “I think this is because we have complete senior leadership support from the wing commander down,” said Lt. Col. Mike Hass, 14th CES commander. “There’s a good working relationship up and down the chain. They [environmental flight] also do a great job with training, and the people are aware of our environmental needs.

“This year, I think we’ll do fine with the internal assessment. We run a fairly tight ship here, and I believe environmental keeps a close eye on a daily basis. We’ve taken action on last year’s findings, so we might find small things,

but overall there shouldn’t be many.”

The primary objectives of ECAMP are to improve Air Force environmental compliance and management worldwide and to build supporting financial programs and budgets for environmental compliance requirements, according to 2nd Lt. Gary Moore, 14th CES Environmental Flight.

Volunteers from organizations such as the 14th Flying Training Wing, 14th Medical Group, DynCorp and 14th Support Group will aide in assessing various facilities throughout Columbus AFB, Moore said.

The management action plan developed based on the issues identified will aid in reducing compliance deficiencies.

For information about ECAMP, call Ext. 7955.

# CSAF survey results show improvement

WASHINGTON — More than 279,000 Air Force active duty and civilians spoke their mind about issues affecting their day-to-day work in the 2002 Chief of Staff of the Air Force Organization Climate Survey.

Results of the survey, which ran Jan. 22 to March 8, were briefed to Gen. John P. Jumper, Air Force chief of staff, earlier this month.

“This survey provides me and leaders at all levels in the chain of command critical information on how we are doing in our organizations,” Jumper said. “We plan to use these results to make our working environments better for all Air Force people.”

Results of the survey were sent to commanders Air Force-wide on May 24.

“Once the commanders have the results in hand, they are urged to share the results with troops through feedback sessions, and translate the information into action,” said Lori Marcum, survey team leader.

Marcum said a primary goal of the survey was to make sure commanders at all levels are provided the necessary tools to take advantage of this valuable information.

Survey officials took great care to protect the anonymity of respondents. Officials said this resulted in the survey having the highest response rate to date with more than 65 percent of the Air Force participating, almost double the response rates of either the 1997 or 1999 surveys.

Overall, this year’s survey results went up in almost all areas as compared to the 1999 results. Participants rated questions from “strongly disagreed” to “strongly agreed.” The highest-rated area was unit performance outcomes. Ninety-three percent of the people agreed they are getting the mission done and are doing it well.

The area rated second highest was jobs, at 91 percent, which indicates people find their jobs motivating, important, interesting and challenging, said officials. Only 72 percent of the respondents agreed about the adequacy of resources.

Resources and unit recognition are areas where the Air Force has historically not fared well; however, there is an upward trend in the results of this survey compared with previous surveys. In the recognition area, 72 percent of respondents agreed they were being recognized — officially or unofficially — for exceptional performance by their chain of command.

Survey responses showed little difference between home station or deployed units in key measures such as unit performance perceptions, general satisfaction and characteristics which motivate people to go above and beyond the job without official rewards and recognition. Also, there was little difference in these measures between deployed areas of responsibility.

To ensure accurate analysis of the survey data, the Air Force Manpower and Innovation Agency’s survey team worked with experts in the developing aerospace leaders office and department for management at the U.S. Air Force Academy for statistical advice and for reliable question set assistance.

Further analysis showed higher ratings in all outcomes for units in which leaders provided feedback to their people; however, providing feedback alone does not create higher results, said officials. They said data indicates leaders who listened and implemented ideas and suggestions tended to have higher performing units, more satisfied people and people who are willing to go above and beyond the job without official rewards and recognition. *(Courtesy of AF News)*



# Engineers are paving the way

OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM — Air Force engineers have spent the last five months transforming barren sand dunes into a paved airfield the size of 20 football fields as part of the largest aircraft-parking-ramp construction project in history.

The 820th Expeditionary Rapid Engineer Deployable Heavy Operational Repair Squadron, Engineer, or RED HORSE, is putting the finishing touches on a 1,044,525-square-foot concrete parking ramp at a deployed location supporting Operation Enduring Freedom. The 820th is deployed from Nellis AFB, Nev.

The ramp is part of a \$25.4 million military construction project scheduled to be completed June 30, but the 820th commander said his unit has been working hard to finish the project early.

“We have been working 24 hours a day since we arrived here and our people are pushing themselves to the limits for the mission, making us very proud,” said Maj. Patrick Morris. “Our skills are the same as with any stateside project we’ve been involved with, but the sheer size of this project is 10 times bigger, making it a worthy challenge for us. For instance, we’ve placed as much concrete on this project as we had in the last nine years combined.”

The ramp is more than 44,000 square feet larger than the previous record holder, one built at Phan Rang AB, Republic of Vietnam, in 1967 by the 554th RED HORSE. *(Courtesy of Air Combat Command News Service)*

# Off-duty safety critical to record

WASHINGTON — A fatal motorcycle accident over the Memorial Day weekend soured the opening of the annual 101 Critical Days of Summer safety campaign.

Although the one fatality is an improvement over the three off-duty fatalities for the same period last year, the Air Force is experiencing a bad year for off-duty accidents, according to John Russell, the Air Force’s chief of ground safety.

The Air Force lost 56 airmen to a combination of on- and off-duty accidents in fiscal 2001. As of May 28, the Air Force had lost 54 airmen to off-duty accidents alone in fiscal 2002.

“We really need to have a strong showing during the ‘101 Critical Days’ to hold those numbers down,” Russell said. “Otherwise we very well could exceed our mishap experience going back eight to 10 years.”

According to Russell, Air Force members are experiencing many more private vehicle mishaps than normal, and the trend is high speed and loss of control.

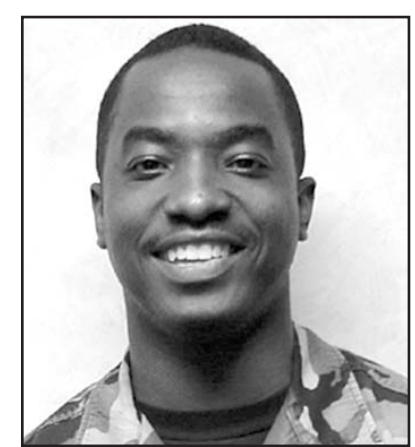
In an effort to reverse this trend, the Air Force is reassessing all of its driving programs through an integrated process team. The team will focus on ways to target young male airmen aged 18 to 24 — the profile of the individual most likely to be involved in a fatal accident.

“It’s very obvious to us that all of these mishaps could’ve been prevented,” Russell said. “The message we want to get to the troops is that they’ve got to spend more time doing personal risk assessments of both their on- and off-duty activities.”

Five of the accidents this fiscal year caused multiple fatalities, killing two Air Force members in each instance. *(Courtesy of AF News)*

# Columbus AFB Spotlight

**Name:** Staff Sgt. Melvin Bradley, 14th Medical Support Squadron  
**Duty title:** NCOIC, Command Support Staff  
**Time on station:** 1 year, 10 months  
**Time in service:** 7 years 8 months  
**Hometown:** Dallas, Texas  
**Previous base:** Lackland AFB, Texas  
**Hobbies:** Searching for business opportunities, running a home-business, trouble-shooting computers, recording and producing music  
**Activities:** Administrative personnel for the Drug Education For Youth Program (DEFY)  
**Goals:** Finish my Information Technology degree and become an officer, and/or apply for the Air Force Civilian Information Technology program — also to become a better role model for my family.  
**FAVORITE QUOTE:** Happiness involves taking yourself professionally and personally.



Staff Sgt. Melvin Bradley  
14th Medical Support Squadron,  
NCOIC, Command Support Staff



# Columbus AFB thanks enlisted force members

**Airman Alexis Lloyd**  
Public affairs

The Enlisted Appreciation Social begins at 11 a.m. June 14 at the community center with free food, fun and games for enlisted people, active duty and retired, and their families.

“All enlisted people are invited to come out and truly feel appreciated for their hard work,” said Airman 1st Class Amber Martin, 41st Flying Training Squadron and children’s activities coordinator for the social.

“There are a lot of creative and talented minds behind the organization of this social, putting it together with the enlisted force at heart,” Martin said. “That force includes the spouses and children and other loved ones that support their enlisted person.”

Door prizes will be given out throughout the day. Every enlisted person, active duty and retired, will receive a chance to win a grill, a television, a DVD player, DVDs and other items donated from Air Force and Army Exchange Services.

The Company Grade Officers Council is sponsoring games such as three-legged races, hula-hoop contests, water balloon tosses and many others. Winners of these games receive another ticket entered into the drawing for a door prize. The CGOC is also setting and cleaning up so enlisted people can enjoy their day, said 2nd Lt. Michael Carlson, 14th Contracting Squadron contract member and CGOC member.

“The enlisted force deserves to be recognized and appreciated for their outstanding contributions to the base,” Carlson said.

“It’s important the enlisted corps come together to have fun — it strengthens the enlisted bond,” said Master Sgt. Felicia Noil, 14th Medical Group and event coordinator.

One of the main events is the softball game at 3 p.m. with airmen and junior NCOs against the Top 3 and first sergeants. The winning team plays the commanders.

“The softball game was the best part of last year’s social,” said Senior Airman Jennifer Loanzon, 14th CS. “The airmen and NCOs are going to win this year.”

A dart tournament, horseshoes, spades and volleyball are other available activities.

People can sign up for these events at the social. Activities for children are also going on all day.

Food is served at 11:30 a.m. Beverages will also be served.

Volunteers have loaned themselves and their cars to the designated drivers program for the social and will be available all day long.

AAFES, Air Force Sergeants Association, 14th Flying Training Wing First Sergeants, 14th Operations Group Booster club, Top 3, 41st Flying Training Squadron, 43rd Flying Training Squadron, 48th Flying Training Squadron, 50th Flying Training Squadron, 37th Flying Training Squadron, 14th Services Division, 14th Medical Group Booster club, 14th Operation Support Squadron, Enlisted Spouses Club, Chapel Booster Club and the Daedalians donated money and prizes. For more information, call Noil at Ext. 2911.

## NEWCOMERS

*Columbus AFB welcomes its newest military people listed by rank, name, gaining unit, previous assignment and hometown. Civilians are listed by name and gaining unit. The newcomers are:*

**Maj. Patrick Penland**, 50th Flying Training Squadron, Langley AFB, Va., San Antonio, Texas; **Capt. Wayne Chitmon**, 50th FTS, Hill AFB, Utah, Jonesboro, Ark.; **Capt. Jeff Phillips**, 41st Flying Training Squadron, Little Rock AFB, Ark., Joplin, Mo.; **Capt. Edward Segura**, 14th Mission Support Squadron, Randolph AFB, Texas, Beaumont, Texas; **Capt. Ying Woo**, 50th FTS, RAF Lakenheath, England, Billings, Mont.; **1st Lt. Barry Burton**, 14th Security Forces Squadron, Hill AFB, Richmond, Ky.;

**Tech. Sgt. Matthew Roberts**, 14th Medical Group, Keesler AFB, Miss., Mooers, N.Y.; **Staff Sgt. Larry Cunningham**, 14th Civil Engineer Squadron, F.E. Warren AFB, Wy., McMinnville, Tenn.; **Staff Sgt. Duane Griffin**, 14th SFS, Ft. Hood, Texas, San Antonio, Texas; **Staff Sgt. R.J. King**, 14th SFS, Camp Pendleton, Calif., Las Vegas, Nev.; **Senior Airman Jennifer Beaupre**, 14th Flying Training Wing, McClellan AFB, Calif., Flint, Mich.; **Senior Airman Julian Mallory**, 14th Medical Support Squadron, Luke AFB, Ariz., Waycross, Ga.; **Airman Victor Nanez**, 14th CES, Goodfellow AFB, Texas, Phoenix, Ariz.; **Melvin Byrd**, 14th Logistics Group; **James Murr**, 14th LG.

# Lightly-taken young officers are future Air Force leaders

**Jimmy Helton**  
14th Logistics



How many lieutenants does it take to make one good NCO? — If this question amuses you, read on.

Last week I had the opportunity to watch a second lieutenant become justly upset at a discussion that demeaned lieutenants as a class. During the discussion, lieutenants were also stereotyped as the cause of all that goes wrong in the unit.

How many of us are guilty of abetting, by silence, statements that erode the respect due our fellow, even though new to the corps, officers? Statements like “They don’t know anything,” — come on these college graduates come in intelligent and

eager; “They are young and inexperienced,” — even colonels were once lieutenants; “I eat lieutenants for breakfast;” “Lieutenants are great — every officer should own some.” You get the picture.

A chief master sergeant told a colonel one day, “I don’t understand you officers, the way you eat your young. Why do you publicly and continually hold up your lieutenants to ridicule? NCOs never joke and demean airmen in this manner. How do you expect your lieutenants to gain the respect of our airmen and NCOs if they are the butt of all of your jokes?”

The “Lieutenant Fuzz” image might be amusing in the comic strips, but it is anything but funny in our professional lives. We depend heavily on our young officers’ abilities, dedication and enthusiasm.

We need the best out of all our people, including those who are

younger and sometimes less experienced, if we are to do the important missions of the wing that have been assigned.

To gain the respect of others, an individual must have self-respect and the confidence that goes with it. Anything that tears at this fabric of self-worth also rends future growth.

The first and second lieutenants of the Air Force have been called on to perform in positions of great responsibility.

To answer the question, “How many lieutenants does it take to make one good NCO?” None. It takes a group of experienced professionals to make a good lieutenant.

Let’s all pull together and help change our views on what a lieutenant is. Do your part, and they will be the pride of our officer corps.

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

My family and I would like to publicly thank the 14th Flying Training Wing’s medical emergency response professionals for resuscitating me after my heart attack on April 29.

I am convinced that God planned for each of you to be in place at the Columbus Club because He knew I would need you.

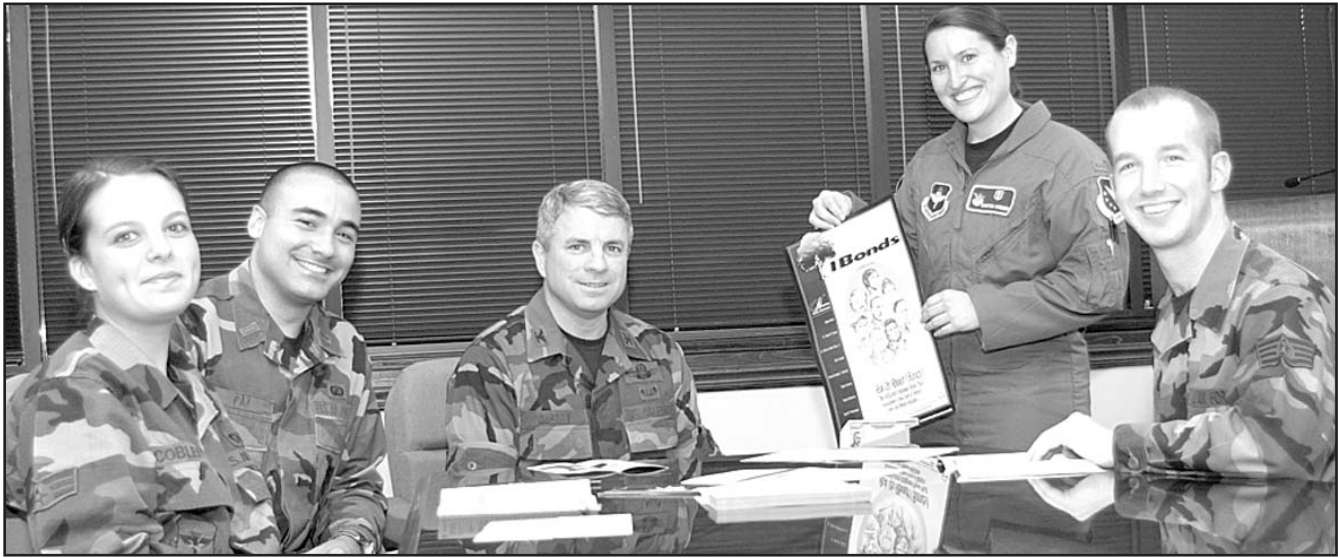
The words “Thank You” cannot adequately express the gratitude, love and kindness I have in my heart for the care and compassion shown me. Your prayers, cards and donations are greatly appreciated.

You were there for me when I needed you most.

Thank you and may God continue to richly bless each of you as you have blessed me.

Sincerely,  
*Betty Leverette-Smith and family*

## STRAIGHT TALK LINE



Staff Sgt. Kyle Ford

Savings bond representatives Senior Airman Dustina Coblentz, 14th Operation Support Squadron; 2nd Lt. Ariol Paz, 14th Flying Training Wing agency; 2nd Lt. Christina Stender, project officer; and Staff Sgt. Micheal Poye, 14th OSS meet with Col. Tom Quelly (center), 14th FTW commander, to explain the benefits of and different types of savings bonds. The campaign ends June 30.

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Base Exchange.....	434-6013
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Civilian Personnel.....	434-2835
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Family Practice.....	434-2172
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Kenn Brown

## Celebrating promotions and re-enlistments

The following people re-enlisted in May or promote in June. The re-enlistees and promotees are (pictured from left to right):

Back row: To senior airman, Thaddaeus Werner, 14th Support Group; Staff Sgt. David Masters, 14th Security Forces Squadron (re-enlistee); Staff Sgt. Brent Ochs, 14th Medical Operations Squadron (re-enlistee); to master sergeant, Deric Simpson, 14th Operations Support Squadron; Staff Sgt. Derick Evans, 14th MDOS (re-enlistee); to staff sergeant, Larry Cunningham, 14th Civil Engineer Squadron; Staff Sgt. Jason Herndon, 14th Communications Squadron (re-enlistee); to master sergeant, James Gulsby, 14th CS; Front row: to senior airman, Charles Hammond, 14th OSS; to senior airman, Matasha Stinson, 48th Flying Training Squadron; Senior Airman Dustina Coblentz, 14th OSS (re-enlistee); to airman first class, Guennadi Antonov, 14th MDOS; to staff sergeant, Teleetha Link, 14th MDOS; and to senior airman, Marcus Stevenson, 14th OSS.

*Promotees not pictured are:*

*To lieutenant colonel:* **James Brown**, 14th MDOS, and **Eric Leininger**, 48th FTS

*To major:* **Joseph Brewster**, 41st Flying Training Squadron; **Brandell Majors**, Air Force Operations and Test Evaluations; and **Nelson Reynolds**, 50th Flying Training Squadron

*To captain:* **Douglas Brader**, 41st FTS; **Bryan Johnson**, 41st FTS; **Ryan Landmann**, 41st FTS; **Benjamin Russo**, 50th Flying Training Squadron; **Mark Sadler**, 50th FTS; **Corey Simmons**, 48th FTS; **Steven Wolpert**, 14th CES; and **Ryan Youngblood**, 37th Flying Training Squadron

*To first lieutenant:* **Corey Aiken**, 48th FTS; **Daniel Arkema**, 48th FTS; **Mark Baran**, 48th FTS; **Shaun Bellamy**, 50th FTS; **Andrew Black**, 48th FTS; **Thomas Boyle**, 48th FTS; **John Canty**, 50th FTS; **Michael Carlson**, 14th Contracting Squadron; **Matthew Clausen**, 48th FTS; **Gregory Collister**, 50th FTS; **Ryan Corrigan**, 37th FTS; **Nathan Creech**, 50th FTS; **Alexander Fafinski**, 48th FTS; **John Ferguson**, 50th FTS; **Taylor Ferrell**, 41st FTS; **Justin Frye**, 48th FTS; **David Grant**, 48th FTS; **Andrew Landwer**, 50th FTS; **Hollie Lichty**, 48th FTS; **Jason Martin**, 14th OSS; **Joseph Maxon**, 48th FTS; **Michael McBride**, 14th OSS; **Jeffrey McCarty**, 48th FTS; **Eric McCracken**, 14th OSS; **William McDonald**, 14th OSS; **Alfred McNabb**, 48th FTS; **Phillip O'Briant**, 50th FTS; **Anthony Pangallo**, 48th FTS; **Dwayne Perez**, 48th FTS; **Joshua Petry**, 48th FTS; **Kevin Phillips**, 41st FTS; **Gerard Pinamonti**, 48th FTS; **John Reed**, 48th FTS; **David Roberts**, 50th FTS; **Christopher Saettel**, 48th FTS; **Albert Scaperotto**, 50th FTS; **Jason Smith**, 48th FTS; **John Speer**, 50th FTS; **Hugh Sponseller**, 48th FTS; **Charles Throckmorton**, 48th FTS; **Jeffrey Webb**, 14th OSS; **John Welch**, 48th FTS; and **Cameron Williams**, 50th FTS

*To technical sergeant:* **Charles Roseberry**, 332 Recruiting Squadron

*To staff sergeant:* **Dori Gilder**, 14th OSS; **Ebony Lee**, 14th CES; and **Robert Meyer**, 14th CS

*To airman:* **Margaret Clifton**, 14th CES; **Shawn Kessler**, 14th CES; **Eric Kohler**, 14th SFS; and **Brandy McGhee**, 14 Mission Support Squadron

*Re-enlistees not pictured are:*

**Tech. Sgt. Jimmie McMillion**, 14th SPTG; **Tech. Sgt. May McClain**, Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps, Det. 10; **Tech. Sgt. Arthur Thompson**, Jackson, Miss., Military Entrance Processing Station; **Senior Airman Jeremy Glidden**, 14th Comptroller Flight; and **Senior Airman Randy Messer**, 14th OSS





Pam Wickham

Defending champions Buddy Byars, Woody Byars, Don West and Taco James along with this year’s co-champions William Bartowick, John Sykes, Spencer Willis and Jeff Kidd.

## CAFB hosts CJ’s super sonic scramble

**Pam Wickham**  
Marketing Director

Out of a field of 36, two teams mastered the links and finished tied for top honors at CJ’s Super Sonic Golf Scramble Saturday and Sunday at Whispering Pines Golf Course. “The competition was close throughout the field with all four flights being within 3-4 strokes,” said Ricky Magers,

Golf Pro. “The returning champions shot a 52 both days while the team of Bartowick, Sykes, Willis and Kidd shot a 53 the first day and a 51 the second day. It doesn’t get any better than that.” Corporate sponsors for the tournament included Sonic on Hwy 45N, CJ’s Restaurant, Cross Golf Carts, Innovative Electrical Contractors, Cable One, Sleepy’s Plumbing, B&M Truck Repair, Environmental Solutions, Coldwell Banker West Realty, Peppers and Carl Hogan.

## Services: Check out what we have to offer

✓ **All-ranks bingo:** Bingo is at the community center at 5:30 p.m. every Friday. There are two \$25 games, two \$50 games and one \$500 progressive jackpot with a consolation prize of \$50 if the jackpot does not go in 56 numbers or less. Cost is \$1 for a 2-on-1 card for the \$25 games, \$1.50 for a 3-on-1 card for the \$50 games and \$1 for a single card for the jackpot game. Call Ext. 2489.

✓ **Enlisted lounge entertainment:** Disc jockey Maze entertains from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. today.

✓ **Mexican buffet:** The Columbus Club’s Tuesday night buffet features Mexican cuisine from 5 to 7:30 p.m. Price is \$7.95 for club members and \$10.95 for nonmembers. Call Ext. 2489.

✓ **Summer reading program:** The base library’s summer reading program, “Catch a dragon by the Tale” begins at 9:30 a.m. June 25. Registration for the program is Monday through June 14.

The program is open to students in school grades 1 to 6. Children will meet

every Tuesday with awards being given on the last day of the program, Aug. 6. Call Ext. 2934.

✓ **Vision Land:** A trip to the Vision Land theme park in Birmingham, Ala., is June 15. Cost is \$25 per person and includes transportation and admission ticket. Register at the information, ticket and travel office. Call Ext. 7858.

✓ **Parents day out:** The child development center and youth center are offering a parents day out from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. June 15. Deadline to register is Wednesday.

Cost is \$2.50 per hour per child. A \$5 nonrefundable deposit is required at the child development center. Call Ext. 2504 for the youth center or Ext. 2479 for the child development center.

✓ **Youth center pool party:** The youth center offers a pool party for ages 9 and older from 7 to 10 p.m. June 15. Cost is \$2 for members and \$4 for nonmembers. Call Ext. 2504.

✓ **Base library closed for training:** The base library will be closed from June 17 through

June 23 for training on the new automated checkout system. Call Ext. 2934.

✓ **Casino trip:** A trip to the Silver Star Casino in Philadelphia, Miss., is June 21. Cost is \$15 and includes transportation and \$15 in coins.

The bus leaves at 5:30 p.m. from the community center parking lot and returns around 2:30 a.m. Register at the information, ticket and travel office. Call Ext. 7858.

✓ **Volunteer bus drivers needed:** The youth center’s summer camp program needs volunteer bus drivers with a commercial driver’s license for four local trips and seven out-of-town trips.

Local trips are from 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday, June 24, July 8 and Aug. 5 and out-of-town trips are from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday, June 20, June 27, July 11, July 18, July 25 and Aug. 1. Call Ext. 2504.

✓ **Pool parties:** Reserve the base pool for a pool party anytime after 7:30 p.m. seven days a week. Call Ext. 2507 for information.

## Membership Night & Family Luau

Wednesday, June 12  
at the Columbus Club  
& Independence Pool

Doors Open  
at 5 p.m.

*Live Music Provided  
by*

## RANDOM PLAY

*Free Food & Beverages  
Door Prizes  
Wear Your Swim Suits  
Limbo Contest  
Hula Contest  
& More*

*Call Ext. 2489 for info*

## Columbus Club Lunch Buffet

**Served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.**  
**Cost: \$4.95 for members  
and  
\$7.50 for nonmembers**  
**Price includes vegetable of the  
day, salad and tea**

**Today**  
**Fried Catfish  
Chicken Fried Steak  
Cherry Cobbler**

**Monday**  
**Fried Chicken  
Roast Beef  
Peach Cobbler**

**Tuesday**  
**Cube Steak  
Beef Stir Fry  
Banana Pudding**

**Wednesday**  
**Pulled Pork  
Ribs  
Apple Cobbler**

**Thursday**  
**Sausage & Peppers  
Chicken Pot Pie  
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Burlington, N.J.  
C-141, McGuire AFB, N.J. (AFRC)



**2nd Lt. Barrett Golden**  
Apple Valley, Calif.  
C-130, Channel Islands, Calif. (ANG)



**2nd Lt. Michael Kosderka**  
Gresham, Ore.  
F-15A, Portland, Ore. (ANG)



**2nd Lt. Phillip O'Briant**  
Bahama, N.C.  
F-15C, Tyndall AFB, Fla.



**2nd Lt. Christopher Power**  
Roswell, Ga.  
KC-135, Grand Forks AFB, N.D.



**2nd Lt. David Underwood**  
Asheboro, N.C.  
RC-135, Offutt AFB, Neb.

# SUPT Class 02-10 earn silver wings

Specialized Undergraduate Pilot Training Class 02-10 graduates at 10 a.m. today during a ceremony at the theater.

The graduation speaker is Maj. Gen. Robert Stephens, mobilization assistant to the deputy commander in chief of the United States Central Command at MacDill AFB, Fla.

Stephens was commissioned through the Reserve Officer Training Corps program at the University of Georgia in 1967. He has commanded an Air Force wing and squadron and was mobilization assistant to the vice commander of Air Force Reserves, and to the commander of U.S. Air Force Recruiting Service.

Students receive their silver pilot's wings at the ceremony, and students who excelled in their respective training tracks are recognized.

Capt. Bart Wilder, T-1A, and 1st Lt. Matthew Vollkommer, T-38, received the Air Education and Training Command Commander's Trophy for being the most outstanding students overall in their classes.

Wilder and 2nd Lt. Michael Kosderka, T-38, also received the Flying Excellence Award for maintaining the highest flying averages in their flights.

Capt. Gregory Buchanan, T-1A, and 1st Lt. David Bennett, T-38, received the Academic Excellence Award for maintaining the highest academic averages in their flights.

First Lts. Michael Gilmore, T-1A, and Robert Brooks, T-38, received the Military Training Award for demonstrating outstanding officer and leadership qualities.

The Air Force Association Award was presented to 1st Lt. Patrick Hegarty, T-1A, and Vollkommer. The award is presented to a graduate in each flight who excelled in training and typified the tenets of the association — promoting aerospace power and a strong national defense.

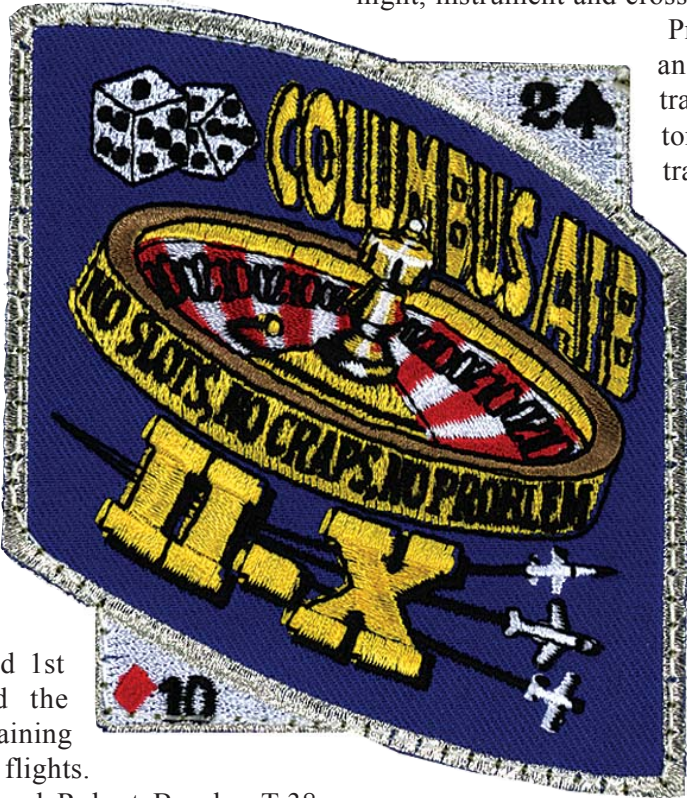
Wilder and Vollkommer were named distinguished graduates. The 52-week pilot training program begins with a three-week preflight phase of academics and physiological training to prepare students for flight.

The second phase, primary training, is conducted in the twin-engine, subsonic T-37 Tweet. Students learn aircraft flight characteristics, emergency procedures, takeoff and landing procedures, aerobatics and formation flying. Students also practice night, instrument and cross country navigation flying.

Primary training takes about 23 weeks and includes 254.4 hours of ground training, 27.3 hours in the flight simulator and 89 flying hours. After primary training, students select, by order of merit, advanced training in the fighter-bomber or airlift-tanker track. Both tracks are designed to best train pilots for successful transition to their follow-on aircraft and mission.

Advanced training for the fighter track is done in the T-38 Talon, a tandem-seat, twin-engine supersonic jet. T-38 training emphasizes formation, advanced aerobatics and navigation.

Training takes about 26 weeks and includes 381 hours of ground events, 31.6 hours in the flight simulator and 118.7 flying hours. The airlift-tanker track uses the T-1A Jayhawk, the military version of a multi-place business jet. Instruction centers on crew coordination and management, instrument training, cross-country flying and simulated refueling and airdrop missions. Training takes about 26 weeks and includes 185 hours of ground training, 43 hours in the flight simulator and 104 flying hours. The class reunites on graduation day, when students receive the aeronautical rating of pilot and begin their careers as U.S. Air Force pilots.



**1st Lt. David Bennett**  
Wilmington, Mass.  
B-1B, Dyess AFB, Texas



**1st Lt. Robert Brooks**  
Pendleton, S.C.  
F-16, Luke AFB, Ariz.



**1st Lt. Michael Gilmore**  
Lakeland, Fla.  
C-17, Charleston AFB, S.C.



**1st Lt. John Newton IV**  
Selkirk, N.Y.  
KC-135, McConnell AFB, Kan.



**1st Lt. Paul Shamy**  
Odessa, Texas  
F-15C, Klamath Falls, Ore.



**1st Lt. Matthew Vollkommer**  
Kennett Square, Pa.  
F-16, Luke AFB, Ariz.



**2nd Lt. Timothy Albrecht**  
Kingwood, Texas  
F-16, Springfield, Ill. (ANG)



**2nd Lt. Robert Brady**  
Meridian, Miss.  
KC-135, Meridian, Miss. (ANG)



**2nd Lt. Jon Brown**  
Hattiesburg, Miss.  
C-21, Andrews AFB, Md.



AT THE CHAPEL

Chapel schedule

**Catholic**  
**Sunday activities:**  
9 a.m. — Mass  
10:30 a.m. — CCD  
5 p.m. — Confessions  
5:30 p.m. — Mass  
**Friday**  
11:30 a.m. — Communion

**Protestant**  
**Vacation bible school June 17 to 21**  
**Bus stops:**  
Columbus Club bus stop 8:35 a.m.  
Capitol bus stop1 8:40 a.m.  
Capitol bus stop2 8:45 a.m.  
Youth center 8:50 a.m.  
Chapel 8:55 a.m.  
Return home noon

**Sunday activities:**  
9 a.m. — Sunday school  
10:45 a.m. — Protestant worship  
1 p.m. — Contemporary worship  
**Wednesdays**  
5:30 p.m. — Video Bible study supper  
7:15 p.m. — Choir rehearsal  
**Thursdays**  
11:30 a.m. — Lunch Bible study

For Islamic, Jewish or Orthodox services, or other chapel programs, call the chapel at Ext. 2500.

AT THE MOVIES

All movies are shown at 7 p.m., unless otherwise noted, at the base theater.

**Today**  
*No showing.*

**Saturday**  
*No showing.*

**June 14**  
*“Deuces Wild”* (R, strong violence, language, some drug content, brief sexuality, 97 min.)  
Starring: Stephen Dorff and Brad Renfro.

**June 15**  
*“Sorority Boys”* (R, crude sexual content, nudity, strong language, some drug use, 94 min.)  
Starring: Barry Watson and Harland Williams.

CHANNEL 64

BLAZE 64 offers announcements for people living in base housing or the dormitories.  
Call Staff Sgt. Kyle Ford for more information at Ext. 7073.

**Weekdays**  
**9 a.m., noon and 2 p.m.**  
Air Force Television News

FAMILY SUPPORT



*(Editor’s note: All activities are offered at the family support center unless otherwise specified. For more information, call Ext. 2790.)*

**Give parents a break:** The next session for this program for families of deployed, extended temporary duty or remote people, those relocating or for people with other special circumstances is from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. June 15 at the child development center. Deadline to register is Wednesday. People interested in signing up for the program can call the center.

**Happy Landings:** Information on the Columbus community is available to newcomers from 8 to 10 a.m. Wednesdays in the lodging facility lobby.

**Remote/deployed brief:** Military people who are going remote or being deployed must attend a mandatory brief offered at 9 a.m. Thursdays.

**Walls of information:** Information on things to do this summer is available on the walls of information at the center.

**Volunteer listing:** People interested in helping base agencies for special projects can give their name and interests to the center to put on a listing.

**Media available:** Over 75 videos on self-improvement and 45 videos and books on parenting are available at the center for check out.

**Free child care:** Arriving and departing active-duty Air Force people can receive up to 20 hours of free child care per child.

LIFE SKILLS SUPPORT



*(Editor’s note: All activities offered are at the life skills support office located on the second floor of the 14th Medical Group unless otherwise specified. For more information, call Ext. 2239.)*

**Special needs:** The Exceptional Family Member Program is designed to ensure service availability for active-duty family members with special needs.

The need must be identified at the current duty station or before a permanent change of station. The program assists families with relocation when a medical condition exists, helping them find resources on base and in the local community.

BASE NOTES



**Leadership camp:** Registration for the free Drug Education for Youth camp for military or civilian family members ages 9 to 12 is now open. Applications are available at the family support center or life skills center. Call Ext. 2790 or 2239.

**Scrapbooking party:** A free scrapbook party is from 6 to 11 p.m. Saturday at the community center. Reservations are encouraged, but not mandatory. Call 434-9336 or e-mail amybiang@aol.com.

**Officer education opportunities:** Bullets for advanced education opportunities for officers through the National Reconnaissance Office are due to the NRO July 16 and packages are due July 22. Call Ext. 7002.

**Case lot sale:** A case lot sale is from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. June 29 and from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. July 2 at the commissary. Call Ext. 7109.

**Thrift shop:** The shop is open from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesdays and from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursdays, with consignments accepted until an hour before closing. Call Ext. 2954.

**New medal dates:** People who served on active duty from Sept. 11 until a date yet to be determined are now qualified to wear the National Defense Service Medal.

Personnel flights will update all records, so no action is required by those affected.

**Military liaison teams:** Senior NCOs can apply for a position on a military liaison team at four overseas locations.

Nominations are due June 10 for Albania and Aug. 15 for Bosnia, Macedonia or Moldova. People interested can submit their applications to the relocations office of the military personnel flight, Bldg. 926. Call Ext. 3537.

**Mortuary plan:** The Columbus AFB Mortuary Plan 34-242 is up for review. This covers what would happen in a

mortuary case. Call Tech. Sgt. Spencer Willis, 14th Support Group Readiness, at Ext. 2311.

**Personal property shipment:** In accordance with Department of Defense directive 4500.9R, installation commanders and supervisors should allow enough time off from duties for people to receive counseling and arrange for shipment of personal property. Call Ext. 2573.

AROUND TOWN



**Grass skirts:** The Chamber of Commerce is staging a luau called ‘Hawaiian Shirts and Grass Skirts’ at 6 p.m. today at the newly renovated Columbus Country Club.

Event is open to the public. Tickets are \$20 and include Polynesian food, music, dancing, games and more. Call 328-4491.

**Flea market:** The Tupelo Gigantic Flea Market is today to Sunday at the Tupelo Furniture Market. Call (662) 842-4442.

**Patriotic celebration:** The 8th annual Let Freedom Ring patriotic celebration, sponsored by East End Baptist Church, begins at 7 p.m. June 29 and 4 p.m. June 30 at the Trotter Convention Center. The event is free and features tributes to the Armed Forces, Veterans, and the City of Columbus. Call 328-5915.

**Event planners:** Volunteers are needed to help plan and run a National Night Out Against Crime site Aug. 6 at the new Columbus Fire Department station on 31st Avenue North. This night is dedicated to the victims and survivors of Sept. 11. Call 329-5339.

**Tenn-Tom Waterway:** The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers offers outdoor recreation opportunities along the nearby Tennessee-Tombigbee Waterway, including seven campgrounds, boat ramps and picnic areas.

The waterway also includes 8,900-acre Columbus Lake. Two campgrounds (Dewayne Hayes and Town Creek), three picnic areas (Dewayne Hayes, Waverly and Stennis Lock East Bank) and four boat ramps are all located near Columbus AFB.

Maps are posted at bulletin boards located at all Corps boat ramps.

For more information call (662) 327-2142 or visit www.tenntom.sam.usace.army.mil.

RAFTERS BRAVE WHITE WATER OF OCOEE RIVER RAPIDS

Airman Alexis Lloyd  
Public affairs

While millions of stars hang overhead, the group of nine people draws warmth and comfort from a popping, crackling campfire. Small talk gives way to the upcoming challenge. The group trades war stories about white water rafting down the Ocoee River in Tennessee, each one worse than the last. Those who hadn’t gone before wonder if they’d made the right decision.

“After listening to the stories, I got kind of scared,” said Idabelle Ables. But this didn’t stop her from getting in the raft the next morning. “You have to face your fears.”

The ride down the Ocoee takes about two hours. The guide maneuvered the boat to do 360s through the rapids, ‘surfed’ in the hydraulics and popped wheelies while going over the waves. Some of the group fell out of the boat on purpose, most of the time.

“The guide made it so relaxing and made you feel safe so you can just enjoy the ride,” Ables said.

Everyone enjoyed the first ride so much, they decided to take another trip. Six more adventured down the Ocoee again for the last trip of the day.

“It’s so much fun,” said George Beavers, who’s gone on six white water rafting trips with outdoor recreation. “It’s absolutely wonderful, relaxing and invigorating all at the same time.

“The camaraderie of the people who come on these trips make them enjoyable,” Beavers added.



Airman Alexis Lloyd

Kyle Ford, George Beavers, Tom Dallinger, the river guide, Chuck Days and Kris Matthews battle their way through a rapid on the Ocoee River, Tenn., Sunday.

“This was the first time I went on a trip with outdoor recreation,” Ables said. “It was the most enjoyable trip I’ve been on. I am ready to go again on the August trip.”

The next white water rafting trip on the Ocoee River is August 17 through 19.

The trip was coordinated by outdoor recreation and

was \$95 including transportation, the ride down the river, lodging for two nights and three meals.

“To keep the prices low, [outdoor recreation] needs to have people sign up before the cut-off dates,” said Joe Caldiero, outdoor recreation director.

Outdoor recreation offers many other trips. For more information, call Ext. 2507.

British Soccer Camp

Registration for this program is \$81 before today. After today, registration is \$86. Registration ends July 22. Call Ext. 2504.

Golf scramble

This scramble begins at 8 a.m. Saturday at

Whispering Pines Golf Course. Entry is \$15 for members and \$15 plus greens fees for nonmembers. Computer picks the team. Call Ext. 7932.


Poker run

The fitness center offers this 5K walk or run starting at 8 a.m. June 14. Runners pick up a card at the five sta-

tions and the best hand at the end of the event wins. Call Ext. 2772.

Swimming lessons

Outdoor recreation offers swim lessons for ages 3 to 18. Eight-class sessions are June 17 to 28, July 1 to 12 and July 15 to 26. Cost is \$35 a session. Call Ext. 2491.



### Golf standings

The following are the intramural golf standings as of Wednesday. Call Ext. 7932.

Team	Wins	Losses
14th SVS 1	8	0
14th SFS	6	1
14th LD	5	1
DynCorp 1	5	2
14th CES 2	5	3
14th CS	4	3
14th CES 1	3	3
14th MSS	3	4
14th OSS 1	2	4
14th MDG	3	5
DynCorp 2	2	5
14th SVS 2	2	5
14th OSS 2	2	6
14th CES 3	0	8

## Softball season action

### Standings

The following are the intramural softball standings as of Wednesday. Call Ext. 2772.

Team	Wins	Losses
14th CES 1	3	0
48th FTS	3	0
14th MDG	1	0
DynCorp	1	0
14th SFS 1	2	1
14th OSS 1	2	1
14th MSS	1	1
50th FTS	1	1
14th OSS 2	0	2
14th CES 2	0	2
37th/41st FTS	0	3
14th SFS 2	0	3

Charles Fiske, 14th Civil Engineering Squadron Softball Team #1, pitches the softball Tuesday in the game against 14th Security Forces Squadron Softball Team #2. CES #1 whipped SFS #2 30 to 4.

